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NECROLOGY.

WILLIAM WOOD CRUMP was born in the city of Richmond, November 25, 1819, and died February 27, 1897. He was the son of Sterling J. Crump, who was a well known merchant. Was educated at William and Mary College, from which institution he also graduated in law. He began the practice of his profession in Richmond, of which bar he remained a member for nearly fifty-eight years. For several years he represented the city in the Council and the Legislature with distinguished ability. In 1851 he was elected Judge of the Circuit Court of Richmond. Judge Crump married Miss Mary Tabb, of Gloucester county. He died universally admired, respected, and lamented in the community and State in which his life had been passed.

WALLER R. STAPLES, son of Colonel Abram Staples, was born at Stuart, Patrick county, Virginia, in 1826. He was educated at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and William and Mary College. Having prepared himself for the profession of law, he settled in Montgomery county. He was a member of the State Legislature in 1853 and 1854, and was a Whig elector, 1856 and 1860, and was one of the representatives of the State in the Provisional Congress of the Confederacy. He served in the Confederate Congress throughout the war. In 1870, he was elected one of the Judges of the Court of Appeals, and in 1884, was one of the three Jurists returned to codify the laws of the State. Since the war he had been twice a Presidential Elector. He died August 20, 1897, having the reputation of an able judge and a learned lawyer.

LEWIS GINTER was born in New York City, April 4, 1824, of Dutch ancestry. He settled in Richmond, Va., in 1842, and opened a store filled with a general assortment of fancy furnishings. Later on, in partnership with John F. Alvey, he went into the business of wholesale notions. When the war came on, he sold out his business and entered the Confederate army as quartermaster, and in 1862 was promoted to the position of commissary. After the close of the war Major Ginter moved to New York City and became a banker. Involved in ruin by the "Black Friday" he returned to Richmond in 1872, forming soon thereafter a partnership with John F. Allen for the manufacture of chewing and smoking tobacco, and afterwards of cigarettes. In 1884 Mr. Allen retired. In 1890 the firm of Allen & Ginter became a branch of the American Tobacco Company, of which Major Ginter declined the presidency. Having accumulated the largest fortune ever acquired in